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Sen. Stamas, Rep. Caul honor Coleman Comets

LANSING – The Coleman High School softball team was presented with a special tribute by the House and Senate today for capturing the state championship, announced state Sen. Tony Stamas and Rep. Bill Caul.

"It is a great pleasure to extend congratulations to the Coleman High School softball team on its outstanding 2005 season," said Stamas, R-Midland. "The Comets achieved great success and continued an exemplary tradition that has made the Coleman High School softball program one of the finest in Michigan."

Stamas presented the team with a special tribute on the Senate floor, recognizing them for earning the 2005 Division Four State Championship.

"This is one of the most rewarding parts of the job," said Caul, R-Mt. Pleasant. "I enjoy opportunities to meet with students. The team's hard work and determination is what led them to their success. I am truly proud of the Coleman High School softball team."

Under the guidance of Coach Joe Albaugh and staff, the Comets compiled a 40-6 record on their way to being crowned the 2005 Division Four State Champs. In addition to excelling on the field, the team also was academic all state with a total cumulative 3.5 grade point average.

"It was an absolute pleasure to meet the team and extend my congratulations," Stamas said. "I believe we need to recognize the truly great accomplishments of our young people and this is quite an accomplishment."

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Editor's note: Photos of today's presentation are available at: http://www.senate.michigan.gov/gop/photowire/Stamas/Stamas.htm